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POETRY: *A Magazine of Verse*

NIGHT

NADIR

I am part of lonely things
Of this lonely city. . .

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A gold fish in a bowl,
Lowered into a lake,
Would feel the sleeping presence of fish
Even as I
Feel life withdrawn, suspended. . . .

An immanence of life,
Like a remembered song of violins
And oboes
After a dance.

.

Even the sound of my footsteps
Dies in the snow.

SUMACH

An old monk is my night. . . .

Long ago he was young . . .
Song shone between his lips,
And a necklace of round white arms
Fulfilled his throat. . . .